

PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
New Attorney Docket No. 09423.0040-00000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appl	ication of:)
Doreen S. RAO et al.) Group Art Unit: 3731
Applicatio	n No.: 10/075,144) Examiner: S. K. Webb
Filed: Fe	ebruary 14, 2002))) Confirmation No.: 6889
CA	YSTEM FOR MAINTAINING BODY ANAL PATENCY AND METHOD HEREOF) Committation No.: 0009)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of August 22, 2006.

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining		Highest Number	Present	Rate	Additional
	After Amendment		Previously Paid	Extra		Fee
Total	59	•	53	6	x \$ 50	300.00
Indep.	10	1	7	3	x \$200	600.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)						0
	TOTAL	\$ 900.00				

A fee of \$900.00 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account no. 06-0916.

Dated: November 21, 2006

Dominic P. Ciminello

Reg. No. 54,038